

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A seat assembly (10) for an automotive vehicle, the seat assembly comprising:

a seat cushion (12);

front legs (16) pivotally coupled to the seat cushion (12);

a support bracket (133) pivotally attached to the front legs (16);

a track assembly (130) attached to the support bracket (133), the track assembly (130) including an upper track (134) attached to the support bracket (133) and a lower track (132) adapted to be secured in a lateral orientation to a floor of [[a]] the vehicle with respect to the seat assembly (10), the upper track (134) received within the lower track (132) for sliding movement therein, whereby the seat assembly (10) may be moved to a plurality of positions within the vehicle; and

a locking mechanism (150) associated with the upper and lower tracks (134, 132) for selectively locking the upper track (134) relative to the lower track (132), wherein the locking mechanism (150) is associated with the seat cushion (12), whereby movement of the seat cushion (12) between seating and forwardly dumped positions actuates the locking mechanism (150).

2-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently amended) The seat assembly (10) of claim [[6]] 1 wherein the locking mechanism (150) further includes a link (152) connecting the seat cushion (12) and locking mechanism (150) for actuating the locking mechanism (150).

8. (Original) The seat assembly (10) of claim 7 wherein the link (152) is selected from the group consisting of a rod, and a Bowden cable.

9-12. (Cancelled)

13. (New) A seat assembly (10) for an automotive vehicle, the seat assembly comprising:

a seat cushion (12);

front and rear legs (16, 50) pivotally coupled to the seat cushion (12);

a support bracket (133) pivotally attached to the front legs (16);

a latch hook (56) pivotally attached to the rear legs (50) for releasably connecting the rear legs (50) to a floor of the vehicle; and

a track assembly (130) attached to the support bracket (133), the track assembly (130) secured in a lateral orientation to the floor of the vehicle with respect to the seat assembly (10) whereby the seat assembly (10) may be moved to a plurality of positions within the vehicle.

14. (New) A seat assembly (10) for an automotive vehicle, the seat assembly comprising:

a seat cushion (12);

front and rear legs (16, 50) pivotally coupled to the seat cushion (12);

a support bracket (133) pivotally attached to the front legs (16);

a second link (60) extending between a first end (62) connected to the front leg (16) and a second end (64) connected to the rear leg (50) for pivoting the rear legs (50) between support and stowed positions in response to pivotal movement of the seat cushion (12) between seating and forwardly dumped positions; and

a track assembly (130) attached to the support bracket (133), the track assembly (130) secured in a lateral orientation to a floor of the vehicle with respect to the seat assembly (10) whereby the seat assembly (10) may be moved to a plurality of positions within the vehicle.